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RESEARCH INTERESTS & SPECIALIZATIONS

Populism, Health Systems, Health Politics & Policy, Western Europe, Partisanship, Mental Health

EDUCATION

University of Michigan

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PhD Candidate in the Department of Health Management and Policy

Cognate: Political Science

Dissertation Title: The PRR in Government: The effect of the populist radical right on health and social policies in Western Europe

Dissertation Committee: Scott L. Greer (Chair), Mark Tessler, Holly Jarman, Alexandre Afonso

Certificate Program on Mixed Methods Research (University of Michigan)
Dr. Daphne Watkins

Certificate June 2017

Management Center Innsbruck (MCI)
Master studies: International and Social Healthcare Management

July 2016

ERP-Summer School 2015
(FH Kufstein, Management Center Innsbruck, Leopold Franzens University Innsbruck)

Certificate July 2015

Webster University Vienna; Webster University Geneva
Bachelor-Degree in Management
Bachelor-Degree in Psychology

December 2008

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

EUROPEAN OBSERVATORY ON HEALTH SYSTEMS AND POLICIES, WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

January 2018 - Present

Researcher and consultation on the impact of civil society on health, the politics of ageing and the use of co-benefits to facilitate intersectoral-governance for Sustainable Development Goal achievement.

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS: JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. Desson Z, Lambertz L, Peters JW, **Falkenbach M**, Kauer, L. (2020). The German, Austrian and Swiss Policy Responses During the Early Stages of the 2020 Pandemic. *Health Policy and Technology*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.hlpt.2020.09.003>
2. Kuhlmann E, **Falkenbach M**, Klasa K, Pavolini E, Ungureanu M. (2020). Migrant Carers in Europe in times of COVID-19: a call to action for European health workforce governance and a public health approach. *European Journal of Public Health*. doi:10.1093/eurpub/ckaa126
3. **Falkenbach M.** & Greer SL. (2020). Denial and Distraction: How the Populist Radical Right Responds to COVID-19. Comment on "A Scoping Review of PRR Parties' Influence on Welfare Policy and its Implication for Population Health in Europe." *International Journal of Health Policy and Management*. doi 10.34172/ijhpm.2020.141
4. **Falkenbach M**, Bekker M, Greer SL. (2019). Do political parties make a difference to health? A systematic review of partisan effects on health and the welfare state. *European Journal of Public Health*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/cky213.402>
5. **Falkenbach M.** & Greer SL. (2018). Political Parties Matter: The Impact of the Populist Radical Right on Health. *European Journal of Public Health*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/cky157>

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS & BOOK CHAPTERS

1. **Falkenbach M** & Greer SL, eds. Populist Radical Right and Health: National Policies and Global Trends. Springer. Forthcoming 2021.
2. **Falkenbach M** & Heiss R. The Austrian Freedom Party in Government: A Threat to Public Health? in Populist Radical Right and Health: National Policies and Global Trends. Springer. Forthcoming 2021.
3. **Falkenbach M.** The Evolution of the Populist Radical Right and Their Impact on Health in Italy in Populist Radical Right and Health: National Policies and Global Trends. Springer. Forthcoming 2021.

4. Greer SL, Lynch J, Reeves S, Gingrich J, **Falkenbach M**, Cylus J, Bambra C, eds. The Politics of Healthy Ageing: Crisis, Controversy and Coalitions. Cambridge University Press. Forthcoming 2021.
5. **Falkenbach, M** & Caiani, M. Italy's Response to Covid-19 in Coronavirus Politics: The Comparative Politics and Policy of COVID-19. University of Michigan Press. Forthcoming 2020.
6. Greer SL, Smith PC, Wismar M, **Falkenbach M**, Figueras J. Co-benefits and the Sustainable Development Goals: Causal pathways, economic impact and governance in context. WHO. Forthcoming 2022.
7. Greer SL. & **Falkenbach M**. (2017). Social Partnership, Civil Society, and Healthcare in Civil Society and Health. Copenhagen: European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies. ISBN 978 92 890 5043 2

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS - UNDER REVIEW

1. Jarman H, Trump B, **Falkenbach M**, Greer SL, Dubin K. Alignment and authority: Federalism, intergovernmental relations, and COVID-19 response in comparative perspective. Under review at *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*.
2. Greer SL, Jarman H, **Falkenbach M**, Massard E, Raj M, King E. Social Policy as an integral component of pandemic response: Learning from COVID-19 in Brazil, Germany, India and the United States. Under review at *JHPPL*.
3. Bura V, Kuhlmann E, **Falkenbach M**, Pavolini E, Peckham S, Wallenburg I. How the Health Workforce Contributes to Health System Resilience – Comparing Possibilities for Innovation Under Covid-19. Under review at *European Journal of Public Health*.
4. McManus I & **Falkenbach M**. A Hollow Victory: Understanding the Anti-Immigration Shift of Denmark's Social Democrats. Under review at *Scandinavian Political Studies*.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS

1. Caiani, M & **Falkenbach, M**. L'impatto ambiguo dei populismi sui sistemi sanitari nazionali. 2020. Available: <https://altreconomia.it/populismo-destra-sanita/>
2. **Falkenbach, M**. Italy: A push Towards Populism. 2019. Tocqueville21. Available: <https://tocqueville21.com/focus/italy-a-push-towards-populism/>
3. **Falkenbach, M**. Rolling Back Public Smoking Bans in Austria. 2018. The Tobacco Atlas. Available: <https://tobaccoatlas.org/2018/08/29/smoking-bans-in-austria/>
4. Franklin Paula, **Falkenbach M**, Greer SL. (2019). WHO Health Equity Status Report. Policy Coherence Drivers. ISBN 978 92 890 5411 9.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Political Science Day 2020: Direct and Indirect Consequences of the Populist Radical Right Government in Austria on Health Inequalities. (November 2020). Austrian Political Science Association, University of Vienna and Central European University, Virtual.
2. Wednesday Colloquium: *Crisis Management in The Corona Pandemic and The Role of Populist Radical Right Parties in Austria and Italy*. (October 2020). Johannes Kepler University, Linz, Austria.
3. Round table: Responding to COVID19 in Europe: Politics and Policies. (October 2020). *Responding to COVID-19 in Italy*. European Public Health Conference, Virtual.
4. Workshop: Populist Radical Right and Health: National Policies and Global Trends. (October 2020). Moderator/Organizer. European Public Health Conference, Virtual.
5. Round table: Beyond Health in All Policies: How the health sector contributes to the attainment of non-health SDGs. (October 2020). Moderator. European Public Health Conference, Virtual.
6. Presentation: The Politics of Grievance, Persecution and Resentment. (September 2020). *A Hollow Victory: Understanding the Anti-Immigration Shift of Denmark's Social Democrats*. American Political Science Association, Virtual.
7. Workshop: Political parties, health and influence in the EU. (November 2019). *Do Political Parties Matter to Health?* European Public Health Conference, Marseille, France.
8. Workshop: Care4Care: The Migrant Care Workforce in Europe. (November 2019). *Austria: Target Country for Care Workers Despite Increased Anti-Migration Policies*. European Public Health Conference, Marseille, France.
9. Workshop: Comparative Public Health: Politics, Science and Professionalism. (November 2019). *Germany: The Reformation of Public Health*. European Public Health Conference, Marseille, France.
10. Ferenc Bojan: Young Investigator Award Presentation. (November 2018). *Do Political Parties Make a Difference to Health? A Systematic Review of Partisan Effects on Health and the Welfare State*. European Public Health Conference, Ljubljana, Slovenia.

11. Round Table: European Journal of Public Health Supplement. (December 2018). *Political Parties Matter: The Impact of the Populist Radical Right on Health*. European Public Health Conference, Ljubljana, Slovenia.
12. Round Table: European Observatory. (November 2017). *Civil Society Governance for Health: Lessons from Network Coordination for Stronger Health Impacts*. European Public Health Conference, Stockholm, Sweden.
13. Poster Presentation: Healthcare in Europe – a safe haven? Standard of Care from a multidisciplinary perspective (September 2016). *Undo Mentalis – A Concept Reducing the Stigmatization Associated with Mental Health*. Innsbruck, Austria.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (Prof. Holly Jarman, Prof. Andrew Ryan & Prof. Scott Greer)

Graduate Student Instructor

- HMP 601 Healthcare Quality, Performance Measurement and Improvement Winter 2021
- HMP 615 Health Policy Fall 2020
- HMP 601 Healthcare Quality, Performance Measurement and Improvement Winter 2020
- HMP 601 Healthcare Quality, Performance Measurement and Improvement Winter 2018
- HMP 615 Health Policy Fall 2017

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Instructor of Record – Graduate Level

- HMP 625 Comparative Health Policy and Management Fall 2018
- HMP 685 Politics of United States Health Policy Winter 2019

AWARDS / GRANTS

Rackham One-Term Dissertation Fellowship Award (2021).

HSOP Summer Writing Award (2020).

Global Public Health Award (2019).

Rackham Development Grant (2019).

Center for European Studies Summer Funding Fellowship (2018).

Rackham Pre-Candidacy Research Grant (2018).

National Research Service Award (NRSA) from the Agency of Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) T32 Predoctoral Traineeship (2016).

Nominee for the Ferenc Bojan: young investigator award, EPH Conference Ljubljana (2018).

REVIEW & EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

Peer Reviewer Contemporary Italian Politics (2020).

Peer Reviewer International Journal of Health Policy and Management (2020).

Peer Reviewer Social Science and Medicine (2019).

ADDITIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Citizenship: Austrian & American
 Mother tongues: English and German
 Foreign Languages: Italian (Intermediate), French (Basic knowledge)